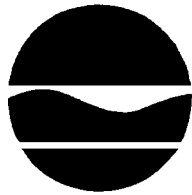


**NEW YORK STATE
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**ENVIRONMENTAL
CONSERVATION**

Dear Interested Citizen:

This Fact Sheet is to inform you about the availability of the Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan and the upcoming interim remedial measure (IRM) as identified in the IRM Work Plan at the 714 Broadway Site located in the City of Schenectady. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact:

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FACT SHEET

714 BROADWAY SITE Environmental Restoration Program

**City of Schenectady, New York
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INTRODUCTION

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in cooperation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and the City of Schenectady are pleased to inform you that the Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) Work Plan is available for review and that an IRM is planned at the 714 Broadway Site. The Site is located at 714 Broadway in the City of Schenectady, Schenectady County, New York (see attached Figure 1). The first phase of the site investigation has been completed. A report on the findings for the 714 Broadway Site has been completed by the City's Consultant and is included as an exhibit in the IRM Work Plan at the indicated document repositories.

BACKGROUND

The site, which is the subject of this ERP consists of a rectangular parcel of land (30 feet by 86 feet) addressed as 714 Broadway located at the northeast corner of Broadway and Weaver Street in the City of Schenectady, Schenectady County, New York. An approximate 1,100 square foot abandoned two-story building is located on the northern portion of the site. Prior to the City of Schenectady acquiring possession of the site in approximately 2000, the site was historically used as a gasoline and service station, and thereafter for storage and as a residence. Four abandoned underground storage tanks (USTs) used for gasoline storage were reported to be present on the southern portion of the site. It is possible that these activities resulted in the release of contaminants to the environment.

INVESTIGATIONS

The first phase of the site investigation was completed in 2004. The City's consultant identified and investigated four USTs located beneath an asphalt paved section of the Site and one aboveground storage tank (AST) located within the site building. The investigation also included a subsurface investigation to facilitate soil and groundwater sampling to determine if a release of petroleum had occurred, and/or to determine the quality of soil and groundwater in the area of the abandoned USTs. The site investigation identified petroleum impacted water within three of the four tanks; petroleum impacted subsurface soils in the vicinity of the USTs; and the potential for impacts to groundwater relative to the existence of the USTs and the historical use of the site.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Upcoming activities will involve the completion of the Interim Remedial Measure (IRM). The goal of the IRM is removal of existing USTs and associated piping located on the southern portions of the site; the excavation, segregation, sampling and analysis, and proper off-site disposal of petroleum impacted soils in the vicinity of the UST locations; the removal of the AST and associated piping from within the site building; and a determination of the impacts to groundwater from the existence of the USTs.

DOCUMENT REPOSITORIES

Public understanding and involvement are important to the success of New York's Environmental Restoration Program. As the project progresses, the NYSDEC and City of Schenectady will distribute fact sheets, like this one, to keep you informed. In addition, the Department and City of Schenectady have also placed site documents in a repository for you to read.

The NYSDEC and the City of Schenectady have established the following document repositories:

Schenectady County Public Library
99 Clinton Street
Schenectady, NY 12305
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ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION PROGRAM

The 1996 Clean Water/ Clean Air Bond Act provides funding to municipalities for the investigation and cleanup of brownfields. Brownfields are abandoned, idled, or under-used properties where redevelopment is complicated by real or perceived environmental contamination. They typically are former industrial or commercial properties where operations may have resulted in environmental contamination. Brownfields often pose not only environmental, but legal and financial burdens on communities. Under the Environmental Restoration Program, the state provides grants to municipalities to reimburse up to 90 percent of eligible costs for site investigation and remediation activities. Once remediated, the property can then be reused.